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The authors studied the potential role of occupational exposure in the etiology of asthma. Seventy-eight asthmatics and 56 non-asthmatics from the Finnish twin cohort were investigated by means of a postal questionnaire. The authors reported that "exposure to organic solvents was found only in the asthmatic members of the discordant pairs, and none of the nonasthmatic persons had been exposed to solvents." There were reportedly no statistically significant differences regarding exposure to other unspecific "irritants."

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